

FROM GEN. HOOKER'S ARMY.

[From the Washington Chronicle.]

Semi-official advices from the Army of the Potomac received last evening in this city state that the report of the main body of Lee's army being at Bull Run is untrue. The report that Hill's corps was at Dumfries is also denied. Detached portions of the Confederate cavalry make frequent reconnoissances, but they are always met by the Federal cavalry, and have skirmishes with them. During the last few days several encounters of this nature have taken place, the Union forces invariably proving victorious. It is generally believed that General Lee's main forces are at or near Chester Gap, and that their frequent reconnoissances are made for the purpose of discovering if any considerable portion of Gen. Hooker's army has been detached to look after the Confederate force now in Maryland.

At the present writing we cannot positively account for the rapid and continuous firing heard yesterday. It was probably a cavalry battle between Generals Pleasanton and Stahl on the Union side and General Stuart on the part of the Confederates.

The Union generals received orders from Gen. Hooker, on Friday, to hunt up General Stuart, and attack him. General Stahl, with his fine cavalry brigade, broke up camp at Fairfax Court House on Saturday morning, and moved forward simultaneously with Gen. Pleasanton. They took different roads, and it is known, although not in official quarters, that the two bodies met the Confederates at some point between Thoroughfare Gap and Aldie.

The battle commenced at three o'clock, a. m., and continued all day. The engagement was exclusively between cavalry and artillery. The sounds of cannon were heard distinctly in this city from various high eminences. The Government up to a late hour had received no definite intelligence from the battle-field.

GEN. LEE'S WHEREABOUTS.

The public are up to this moment profoundly ignorant of the position of Gen. Lee, with his main force. We know enough however, to assure us that it is not anywhere east of the Blue Ridge, and we have to add, that the belief is momentarily becoming stronger both in the army of the Potomac and among military men here, that he is marching from this direction or preparing to march from this direction on Pittsburg or Wheeling, one or both. His only considerable force whose present locality is generally known is that of Ewell which is at and about Sharpsburg, Md.—in the Shenandoah Valley.—[Wash. Star of this evening.

Dispatches from Washington, on the 21st to the New York papers say that the real design of the Confederates is to attack Washington from the Maryland side of the river, the crossing to be made between Washington and Edwards' Ferry.

Each district marshal of New York has fifty men engaged in enrolling the names of persons subject to the draft, and it is said that up to noon Saturday 150,000 names were down on the several lists.

MARRIED.

On June 18, in Anne Arundel county, Md., by Rev. James D. McCabe, D. D., JOHN D. McPHERSON, esq., of Prince George's, to FRANCES M., youngest daughter of the late Hon. John C. Weems, of Loch Eden, Anne Arundel county.

FROM THE FRONT.

The Washington Star of this evening says, throughout the day yesterday, heavy firing was distinctly heard in this city, apparently in the direction of the Bull Run mountains. This firing was that of an engagement in which a portion of cavalry, under Generals Pleasanton and Stahl, and a portion of Major General Meade's command were engaged on the Federal side, against Stewart's cavalry and more or less infantry, supposed to belong to the corps commanded by Gen. Longstreet.

It commenced shortly after daybreak, in the vicinity—probably on the other side—of the Gap at Aldie, and though it is not yet known here what force opened the engagement, the belief is prevalent that it was Mead's, attacking the enemy, and that the cavalry did not get into the fight before eight a. m.

The Star adds:—"That it was successful on our part is proved by the facts that not a Union straggler has so far come to the rear; that from first to last the firing gradually receded, ending at late as six p. m., then apparently in the immediate vicinity of Snicker's Gap of the Blue Ridge mountains; that no request whatever for reinforcements was sent hitherward; and the additional fact that last night a portion of our troops are known to have rested close upon that point. We may therefore safely assume that whatever force the Confederates had in that portion of the Valley between the Blue Ridge and Bull Run ranges was yesterday driven into the main (Shenandoah) Valley of Virginia. Nothing is yet known here concerning the casualties on either side.

We may add that the valley first above mentioned is known to be clear of Confederate troops east of the Little River turnpike, while the fact that we now hold Thoroughfare Gap leads to the conclusion that there can be but few Confederates in arms in it west of that road except cavalry, if there be any of that arm there to speak of."

It is understood that the Commissioners of New Castle have thrown such obstacles in the way of the projected improvements which were to make New Castle the coal terminus of Pennsylvania, for winter shipments, that arrangements are now being made for the survey of the route from near Brandywine Bridge to the mouth of the Christiana Creek, on the Delaware. This will make Wilmington, which is now the great manufacturing city of Delaware, also the great coal depot.

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Alexandria, Va., May 30, 1863. }

WHEREAS the condition of the city of Alexandria is such, that, unless active steps are taken to insure a proper observance of sanitary rules, the health of the people of the city, and of the troops in the hospitals and neighborhood, will materially suffer, and it appearing that the civil authorities have not the means of placing the city in a proper sanitary condition: Therefore, by virtue of the authority vested in the undersigned, notice is hereby given to all persons owning, residing in, or having the use of any residence, stable, outhouse, or premises, of any description whatsoever, that they are required to have the same thoroughly cleansed in four days from this date of all garbage, manure, &c., &c., the same to be placed in a pile in the centre of the street, or in barrels, before their premises. After the first four days, it will be continued by them from day to day. All persons upon whose premises more than one cart load has accumulated, will be required to remove it at their own expense. All persons failing to comply with this order, will be brought before the Provost Judge, and fined.

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C. M. HINES,

Senior Surgeon and Health Officer.

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